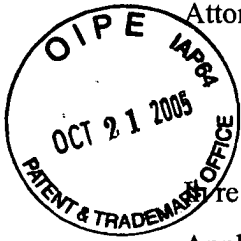


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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to the final Office Action on the merits mailed May 23, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire August 23, 2005, subject to extensions of time under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a).

A petition for a two (2) month extension of time to increase the period for reply from August 23, 2005, to October 23, 2005, is enclosed herewith to permit timely filing of this Amendment/Response.

The examiner states in the Office Action Summary that claims numbered 1-3 and 5-29 are pending in the application; claims numbered 1-3, 5-16, 21-26, 28 and 29 are rejected; claims numbered 17-20 and 27 are objected to. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121, Applicant submits a complete listing of all of the claims ever presented for this pending application, which will replace the preceding claim listing.

The specification and claims numbered 21 and 26 are amended herein.